

Appl. No. 10/769,733
Amdt. dated January 6, 2005
Reply to Office Action of October 14, 2004

PATENT

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 25-41 are pending in the present patent application. Claims 25-30 and 32 were rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting over of U.S. Patent 6,707,399. A terminal disclaimer is being filed herewith to overcome this rejection.

Claim 29 was objected to for containing informalities. Corrections have been made to claim 29 as suggested in the office action.

The office action indicated that claims 31 and 33-41 contain allowable subject matter.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, Applicants believe all claims now pending in this Application are in condition for allowance. The issuance of a formal Notice of Allowance at an early date is respectfully requested.

If the Examiner believes a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this application, please telephone the undersigned at 650-326-2400.

Respectfully submitted,


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